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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 5, 2006, please enter the  
following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this  
paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 6 of this paper and include an attached  
replacement sheet.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including an amended drawing figure is attached following page 12 of this paper.